

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 12 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The hub 50 defines an interior surface 72 and a tape winding surface 74. The tape winding surface 74 is configured for acceptance of the data storage tape 28 (FIG. 1). In this regard, the tape winding surface 74 extends between a first end 76 and a second end 78 of the hub 50. The upper flange 52 couples to the first end 76 of the hub 50 via a first interior edge 8079. The lower flange 54 couples to the second end 78 of the hub 50 via a second interior edge (not visible in the view of FIG. 2).